



FORT LEONARD WOOD RETIREE COUNCIL
Retirement Services Office
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ATZT-AG-TR (609-25a)

MINUTES OF MEETING 19 MAY 2005

Meeting called to order by Co-Chairman, Command Sergeant Major Julius Nutter. USA (Ret) at 0900 hours.

Members present:

COL James H. Kuhn, USA (Ret)
COL J. Brian Morrissey, USA (Ret)
CAPT Don W. Marshall, USA (Ret)
LTC John D. Abshier, USA (Ret)
LTC Mary Bess, USA (Ret)
LTC Norbert F. Pohlman, USA (Ret), Chairman, Quincy, IL Area Council
MAJ G. Michael Warren, USA (Ret)
MAJ Wayne Strohschein, USA (Ret)
CSM Julius B. Nutter, USA (Ret), Co-Chairman
CSM Mack E. Williams, USA (Ret), Chairman, Springfield Area Council
1SG Wilmetta J. Herbert
1SG Olan Payne, USA (Ret)
SR MSG Jeanie V. Kellas, USAF (Ret)
SFC Donald J. Price, USA (Ret)
SSG Gerald A. Dawson, USA (Ret)
SP6 William L. Shy, USA (Ret)

Members excused:

BG Arvid E. West, Jr., USA (Ret)
CSM Harold G. Baxter, USA (Ret)
1SG Steven G. Shepard, USA (Ret)
SFC Joseph P. Krill, Jr., USA (Ret)
SFC George N. Launius, USA (Ret)

Members absent:

LT Melbern J. Robinson, USA (Ret)
1SG Olan Payne, USA (Ret)

MANSCEN STAFF

Ms Susan Halter, Deputy, Garrison Command
Mr. Jeff Cox, Assistant, Chief of Staff
CW2 Jesse J. French, AG/MILPO
Ms Beverly Rowe, MILPO, Retirement Services Officer

Guest Present:

CSM Franklin D. Herbert, USA (Ret)
Jim Nunley, Deputy Director, DMWR
Don Green, ACAP
Janice Pohlman, Spouse
LTC William Waldon, FLW Blood Collection Center
Mary Thompson, AAFES

1. Members were thanked for being present. Guests were introduced and welcomed
2. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the meeting of 17 February 2005.
3. Committee Reports
 - A. Retiree Assistance – CSM Baxter – excused absence
 - B. Health Care Board – 1SG Herbert –note was made of it now taking 3 days for pharmacy refills which is a problem for retirees living out of area. LTC Abshier noted that the pharmacy was looking at ways to speed up service. He also noted the Master Hospital Plan is being executed which will mean some temporary relocations and inconveniences but in the end will result in improved services and looks. Additional providers have been contracted. A contract for urology is being reviewed due to retirement of Dr. Crane.
 - C. Installation Commissary/Post Exchange Advisory Council – COL Morrissey – Minutes of the last council meeting were not available but would be forwarded when available. Highlights noted were – next case lot sale is planned for September with date to be determined but hopefully to coincide with Retiree Days. Sushi Bar is open and is very popular. Handicap may enter commissary one-half hour early and will be provided assistance as needed.

D. Morale, Welfare and Recreation Advisory Council – Mary Thompson spoke about the PX – Ground work for the new PX has begun with the fall of 2006 as the anticipated completion date. Specker addition is anticipated to open by Christmas. Old Post Exchange building is planned to be a class 6 and furniture store. Post Exchange will give gift bags on Retiree Appreciation Day. A question was raised for MWR about club hours. The reply was that the hours were being reviewed. Also noted was the hiring of a new executive chef, Carol Day.

E. Retiree Council Financial Statement – 1SG Herbert – It was reported that currently the account had \$3,523.41. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report.

F. Widowed Support Program – LTC Bess – There is still a problem getting names of newly widowed in a timely fashion. There have been some improvements with the National Guard. CJ is now a part time employee paid by Chaplain Section. She is in need of volunteer help. Attendance at the monthly luncheon now averages about 50. Lunch is paid for by the Chaplain Section. The Springfield group requested a list of known people in Springfield area. They had a speaker at their last meeting from TRICARE.

G. Legislative – BG West - excused absence

4. **Area Council Reports:**

A. Quincy – LTC Pohlman – echoed the problem of getting names as noted in Widow Support report. Noted he has been appointed to the Employee Support for Guard and Reserve committee. He noted some units are now in their second call up and problems and issues are increasing.

B. Springfield – CSM Williams – reported on their group's continued involvement in legislative concerns. Top two issues are retiree benefits, particularly TRICARE for Life and Support for VA budget. With their current shortfall they cannot meet current needs let alone increased needs due to War on Terrorism. Urged involvement of active duty is needed, not just retirees.

C. St. Louis – SFC Price – Their concern remains Tri-Care For Life and wanting to push for greater co-pays

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Old Business

A. RAD Sub-Committee reports – Dates are 10-11 September. Change was because of conflict of use for Nutter Field House. Committees will be meeting following this meeting.

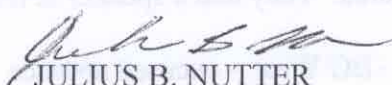
1. Retiree of the Year – plaque for the recipient is being purchased.

- 2. Dinner menu – cost set at \$12.70 per person but people will be charged \$12 in advance and \$14 at door. Council will supplement cost.
- 3. Prizes – reminded council members they will not solicit prizes, etc., from business as a retiree council member. But names of willing business can be given to CSM Nutter for him to follow up on. A letter will be sent out asking for door prizes.
- B. Other Old Business – name tags for council member were given out and asked to be returned at end of meeting.

6. New Business

Letter was received requesting a nomination to serve on the Chief of Staff, Army, Retiree Council. There were no volunteers.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Location to be determined on Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri at 0900 hours 18 August 2005


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CSM, USA (RET)
Presiding Co-Chairman